

Intergovernmental Water Board

Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2005

Members Present: Patrick Carroll, Dick Winn, Bill Scheiderich, Norm Penner

Members Absent: Tom Woodruff

Staff Present: Dennis Koellermeier and Twila Willson

Visitors: Paul Owen, Henrietta Cochrun

1. *Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions*

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. *Approval of Minutes – May 11, 2005*

Commissioner Patrick Carroll made a motion to accept the minutes from May 11, 2005, Commissioner Dick Winn seconded the motion, and the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

3. *Discussion on Electrical Service Providers*

- *Oregon Electricity Board, Electric Cooperative – Shantu Shah*
- *Portland General Electric*

Mr. Shah approached staff requesting time to make a presentation to the Intergovernmental Water Board (IWB). Mr. Koellermeier invited Portland General Electric to also be present.

No representatives from either group were present (no shows) and the board elected not to have the time rescheduled should the representatives call to do so.

4. *Long Term Water Supply Update – Dennis Koellermeier*

Portland Contract – Two more meetings are scheduled between now and June 26 (which is scheduled to be the last meeting). The model contract will then be made public for all agencies to review. Mr. Koellermeier thought that many would not be satisfied with the results. As of June 30, 2007, Tigard will be without a contract with Portland.

Joint Water Commission (JWC) – Threats of drought conditions earlier in the year caused other members of the JWC to hold onto what might have been surplus water. However, Tigard has combined the JWC source with other sources and has committed

to 114% of the water Tigard will need during the peak water use periods. Surplus water may be released at a later time by the JWC member partners.

Lake Oswego - Water is now being received and in the Tigard Water System at 2+ mgd from Lake Oswego. The last major upgrade work project with Lake Oswego was in 1994 and some pump station work in 1997. The water rate is about \$.80pcf, but that will soon be lowered slightly to somewhere in the high \$.70s. (JWC water is comparable in price, in the high \$.70s.)

Willamette River – The City of Sherwood is very interested in the Willamette River. They will be conducting tours for their citizens of the treatment plant in Wilsonville. Sherwood is discussing the costs and science behind using the Willamette and is finding that public education is helping.

Tigard has the same consulting engineer as Sherwood. The City of Tualatin is also talking about using water from the Willamette River however they appear to be inclined to use the Bull Run water at this time. The coalition charter states that members must follow a formal process and announce their intentions. Tigard may be considering the scenario of whether we will want to lease facilities back if Sherwood does go to the Willamette.

The Bull Run water levels have risen. Portland may not need to activate their well fields at all this year by mixing water. In the long term Portland may be driven to use the well fields as fish/water flows increase.

Mr. Koellermeier is confident going into the summer months that there will be adequate water available to Tigard. Tigard is leasing 1000 acre feet from the JWC this year.

5. Informational Items – Dennis Koellermeier

A handout was distributed of the consortium presentation, which tries to educate the public about viable water sources using a marketing approach.

A copy of the Governor's proclamation on water conservation was distributed. The governor has not done this in quite some time.

Mr. Koellermeier reported that it appeared Tigard lost the argument with Portland on the minimum use violation charges of \$304,522, which are due by July '05. The board discussed the situation and concluded that it did not appear there was any other choice but to pay it.

The situation occurred when Tigard shifted toward using JWC water. To avoid repeating it again, staff is loading the ASR wells with Portland water and trying not to use other water sources as much until the minimum purchase limits are reached. Portland basically wants Tigard to take the water for use or pay for not using it.

6. Public Comments – None

7. *Non Agenda Items*

8. *Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 13, 2005, 5:30 p.m. – Water Auditorium*

Mr. Koellermeier announced that this was Commissioner Penner's last meeting with the IWB. Commissioner Penner will now be serving as president of the Friends of the Tualatin River Wildlife Refuge.

9. *Adjournment – Approximate Time 7:00 p.m.*

The IWB meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.